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SOLDIERS LETTER.

From One of Our Own Boys Who Fought at Santiago.

Camp Wikoff, Montauk Point, Long Island, N. Y., Aug. 29, 1898. Dear Father:

We got back to God's country on the 27th. I never was so glad in all my life to see anything as I was to see land on the morning of the 27th.

We left Santiago on the 23d, but ran into a fog on the 25th, and had to lay over until it lifted on the 26th.

Nine of our men died on the trip over from STARVATION. The whole regiment look like a lot of skeletons. We had only six companies on the boat, about 450 men, of which about 225 were so sick they had to be carried off on stretchers.

We thought we would be all right when we got here but we find that nothing is being done for us at all.

I am all knocked to pieces with rheumatism and starvation so that I don't know what to do. I can't rest at night and it is the same in the day time for I can get no medicine. If this keeps up much longer I will not stand it, for I will get a furlough and get to New York and try to get into some hospital there, if I am not able to come home, and I don't think I can come home, however much I would like to, for we get so little pay that if we go to the commissary and buy a few delicacies that we can eat, why our month's pay is gone.

I wrote to mother yesterday and enclosed a clipping from the New York World which is true as there is a son in the sky.

This wind we have here, right off the water is making our rheumatism all the worse, but we have to stand it, for we can do nothing for ourselves.

Rather than serve the 7 years of my term in the army I would far sooner spend it in some penitentiary, and there are no more here who would do as I do. But they can't compel me to serve any more time for as soon as I can get a furlough (which will be in a very short time) for 30 days, I will never go back, for I will send in a certificate from some doctor stating the condition of my health and they will send me away discharged.

I think we have all gone through enough to warrant Uncle Sam in paying our transportation home, but it seems as if he don't think so.

If I can manage to spend my 30 days in some hospital or somewhere else I will have them discharged, two months pay and two months board which will be about \$42. That is a fine consideration for a man whose health, youth and everything else for. Such is life in the service of Uncle Sam. I can't write a decent letter any more for I am so disgusted with life, so you must not blame me for this one.

Give love to all, and answer soon from broken-down Son.

JOHN H. BROWN.

Capt. E. B. U. S. Infantry

"Blind Tom" as he is to-day.

"The name Thomas Wiggins means nothing to the majority of readers," writes John J. a 'Becket' in the September Ladies Home Journal. "But Thomas Wiggins is 'Blind Tom'—a name familiar to hundreds of thousands in this country and abroad, who have heard the piano played by this wonderful negro. The impression that he is a genius is a pretty general one. As a matter of fact, Blind Tom has never been ill a day in his life. On the banks of the Shrewsbury River, in a domain of over two hundred acres of woodland, stands a picturesque two-and-a-half-story wooden house with a broad veranda. Here Blind Tom is at home.

"His hands are not at all 'plano hands.' In place of the slender, long-fingered hands which one often sees in great pianists, Tom's hands are small and plump, with the thumbs and fingers quite short.

"The strongest impression I have away was that of the sweet, contented life the poor, blind negro is leading. There was pathos in it. I had expected to find a wonder at the piano, and I did, for his untalented mastery of the instrument is marvelous. From the time when the Bohemian family left dinner-table to see who could be playing on the piano, and discovered the slightest plucking of four years' growth on the stool, his little hands playing uncanny melody from the keyboard, from that time until now he has had an unwavering devotion to the instrument whose music is his life.

Smoker's Heart-Burn.

Heart-burn from excessive smoking, or from any other cause, is relieved by the first dose of No. 10, Dr. Humphrey's Specific for Dyspepsia. 25c. all druggists.

Servally—Rayburn.

Married, at Charleston, Mo., Thursday morning, Sept. 1st, 1898, at the home of Mrs. M. M. Rayburn, J. W. Servally, of Cape Girardeau, and Miss Ava Rayburn, the youngest daughter of the late Major Rayburn. The ceremony being performed by Rev. R. E. Porter, field, pastor of the Presbyterian church at Kennett and Charleston. The fortunate groom is an efficient and popular teacher having been engaged two terms in Dunklin county. His parents reside at Cape Girardeau and are highly respected people. The bride was born and reared in Dunklin county, she being a daughter of the late M. M. Rayburn, and a grand-daughter of the late Major Rayburn. She has several brothers and sisters in this county and a brother, W. C. Rayburn, at Caruthersville. She is a most amiable and accomplished lady and worthy of the best husband on earth. The happy couple will visit a short time at Cape Girardeau and St. Louis and then settle at Charleston where Mr. Servally will be principal of the public school.—Dunklin Democrat.

A Queer (7) Medicine.

There is a Medicine whose proprietors do not claim to have discovered some hitherto unknown ingredient, or that it is a cure-all. This honest medicine only claims to cure certain diseases, and that its ingredients are recognized by the most skillful physicians as being the best for Kidney and Bladder Diseases. It is Foley's Kidney Cure.

Resolutions of the City Council to Grade and Gravel Part of Ellis Street.

Resolved, that in the opinion of the Council it is necessary to grade and gravel Ellis street from Themis street to Good Hope street and to that end the City Clerk is hereby instructed to publish this resolution in the newspaper doing the city printing for two consecutive weeks as required by ordinance.

(Signed) E. F. BLOEMER, Sept. 6, 1898.

I certify that the above and foregoing resolution was adopted at a regular meeting of the City Council of the City of Cape Girardeau, held on Tuesday evening, September 6th, 1898.

GEO. E. CHAPPELL, Sept. 7, 1898. City Clerk.

Ballard's Snow Liment.

If you have a terrible pain in the small of the back, get a bottle of Snow Liment. It will positively cure it and at once. Try it and recommend it to your friends. Sold at Wilson's drug store.

Notice.

Dr. H. L. Cunningham has moved his office to I. Ben Miller's Drug Store and will hereafter do a general medical and surgical practice, in connection with which he will continue to give special attention to diseases of the eye, eye surgery and the proper fitting of glasses.

A FRIEND.

"Seventy-Seven." ("77.") "77" is Dr. Humphrey's famous Specific for the cure of Grip and Colds, and the prevention of Pneumonia. All druggists—25c.

ADMINISTRATION DEFENDED.

Reports of War Mismanagement Denounced by Pastor Stocking.

GALESDON, Ill., September 4.—In his sermon tonight, Dr. G. B. Stocking, pastor of the Universalist Church, denounced as a national scandal the newspaper reports about war mismanagement. He said just as the nation began congratulating itself on the happy ending of the war the newspapers began to flood the country with reports of hospital mismanagement, criminal carelessness, indifference on the part of medical officers. According to these reports those that gave freely of food and medicine to the prisoners and sick of the army, meriting the gratitude of 11,000 Spanish soldiers, are now in the inhuman business of starving and neglecting their own brethren.

"For one, I am not willing to believe that the noble men who sit at Washington, the chief executives of the nation, and those who called around them are guilty of such indifference as is charged. We have read much of the criticism of Camp Wikoff, but unless good men, including President McKinley, are falsified Camp Wikoff is not the place that some would have us believe. Doubt the sickness of the Southern camps have been properly treated. Not until the city of 60,000 people inhabitants can be built in a day and supplied with perfect sanitation, sewerage and water. Nothing short of the immediate action have prevented the sickness and suffering incident to the war."

"This whole thing is indefensible. It is a vile scandal. The truth, I hope, will be known some day, and then it will be known that our officials at Washington have not brought this reported disaster upon us."—Globe-Democrat.

Hearts Cure.

Cures all ailments in all the various forms. No internal treatment necessary. Painless money returned to purchaser.

Brown's Estimate of the Power of the Dollar.

W. C. Brown, the late editor of the Iconoclast, Waco, Texas, is credited with the following: "The dollar is indeed almighty. It is the American idea that lifts the humble man into select society and places him, almost unaided in the United States senate, it makes presidents of stuffed prophets, governors of intellectual goons, philosophers of fools and gives infamy to supernatural glory. It wrecks affairs of innocence and pollutes the face of the people breaks the sword of justice and binds the godless of liberty with chains of gold. It is the lord of the land, the uncrowned king of the commonwealth."

Free of Charge to Subscribers.

Cut this out and take it to your druggist and get a sample bottle free of Dr. King's New Discovery, for Consumption, Coughs and Colds. They do not ask you to buy before trying. This will show you the great merits of this truly wonderful remedy, and show you what can be accomplished by the regular sized bottle. This is no experiment, and would be disastrous to the proprietors, did they not know it would invariably cure. Many of the best physicians are now using it in their practice with great results, and are relying on it in most severe cases. It is guaranteed. Trial bottle free at W. C. Hagan and all Druggists.

Great Music Offer.

Send us the names and addresses of three or more performers on the piano or organ together with ten cents in silver or postage and we will mail you ten pieces full sheet music, consisting of popular songs, waltzes, marches, arranged for the piano and organ, etc.

Address: POPULAR MUSIC PUBLISHING CO., Indianapolis, Ind.

Never Say Die.

Many desperate cases of kidney diseases pronounced incurable have been cured by Foley's Kidney Cure. Many physicians use Dr. W. H. Coerver's druggist.

Real Estate For Sale.

Two lots in the town of Stroudsville, on one of which is a fairly good dwelling house.

Eleven acres of timbered land on Hickory Ridge.

Eighty acres of timbered land within three miles of Egypt Mills.

Forty acres of timbered land about two and a half miles of Egypt Mills. Will be sold cheap for cash or part cash and balance good paper.

For further particulars and description of land call on

BEN H. ADAMS, DEMOCRAT office, Cape Girardeau, Mo.

THE BROADWAY THEATER.

The Managers of this Popular House of Amusement are Preparing to Entertain our people this season.

The managers of the Broadway Theatre will surely make a success of the show business this year. They have been hard at work for several weeks to secure for this season companies that seldom visit cities the size of Cape Girardeau. They now have booked some of the best attractions in the country. The house will open for the season early in October with "Tennessee's Partner." This is a romantic comedy-drama of the Nevada sand hills. It was suggested to the playwright by Bret Harte's beautiful story of the mining camp. The action is brisk and involves "the light-toned and legitimate kernel dealer." Bret Harte's favorite hero—and "the ideal from Smoky Mountain, Tennessee," and an adventuresome who marries the gambler's best friend in order to rob and desert him.

This play has filled the leading opera houses in all the largest cities in the country and it will surely fill the Broadway theatre in this city.

All Colds are Tainted.

All colds are tainted with Grip, when Grip prevails. "77" breaks up Grip and Colds that "hang on." 25c. all druggists.

The Shot That Woke Them up.

A New England paper takes a broad view of Dewey's victory not at all in harmony with New England tradition.

"He began the liberation of American business interests from the outgrown policy of protection," says this authority: "his guns sounded the knell of the policy that has kept us building mills to our own disaster, because they increased the goods to be sold in a restricted market, a market already well supplied, and thence the news around the world that America was awake to its possibilities."

Rather, the shot that Dewey fired woke up the New Englanders. It required that thunderous summons to batter down the door of prejudice and mistaken selfishness, and let in the trade of the world along with a flood of intelligence.

Let us hope that the victory has accomplished all this. If the war does no more, it will be worth many times its cost to the country at large, but more especially to New England itself.—Post-Dispatch.

A Cure for 50c.

Many people have been cured of kidney diseases by taking a 50c bottle Foley's Kidney Cure.

The Toledo Weekly Blade.

Every intelligent family needs in addition to their local paper, a good national weekly. The greatest and most widely known general family newspaper is the Toledo Weekly Blade. For thirty years it has been a regular visitor in every part of the Union and is well known in almost every one of the 70,000 post-offices in the country. It is edited with reference to a national circulation. It is a republican paper, but people of all politics take it, because of its honesty and fairness in the discussion of all public questions. It is the favorite family paper, with something for every member of the household. Serial stories, poetry, wit and humor; the household department, (best in the world), Young Folks, Sunday School Lessons, Talmage's Sermons, the Farmstead, the Question Bureau (which answers questions for subscribers), the News of the week in a complete form, and other special features. Specimen copies gladly sent on application, and if you will send us a list of addresses, we will mail a copy to each. Only \$1 a year. If you wish to raise a club, write for terms.

Address: THE BLADE, Toledo Ohio.

Glad Tidings to Asthma Sufferers.

Foley's Honey and Tar gives quick and positive relief in all cases.

Notice.

Notice is hereby given that a meeting of the Stockholders of the Brownwood & Northwestern Railway Company will be held at the office of said company in the City of Cape Girardeau, Mo., corner of Independence and Spanish streets, on Saturday, October 15th, 1898, at two o'clock p. m. for the purpose of submitting to the stockholders of said company proposition of selling its line of road to the Cape Girardeau, Bloomfield & Southern Railway Company, and the proposition to rescind resolution to consolidate this road with the Cape Girardeau, Bloomfield & Southern Railway Company, heretofore adopted by the Stockholders, and also to transact such other business as may come before said meeting.

DAN'L S. BROWN, President.

W. C. BROWN, Secretary.

LOUIS KELLS DEAD.

Found Dead in Forest Park.

Left a Will and an Itemized Statement of His Indebtedness.

A. D. Craddock received a telegram last night informing him of the finding of the body of Louis Kells in Forest Park in St. Louis. Mr. Craddock is a nephew of Kells and papers were found on the body of Kells that gave information as to where Craddock resided. There were no particulars in the telegram as to the cause of Kells' death. It only stated that he was found dead in Forest Park.

Louis Kells was a life insurance agent who resided in this city for two or three years. He was well known here and well liked. He was a man of brains and his associates were among our most intelligent people.

About two weeks ago Mr. Kells sent all his personal papers together with his will to A. D. Craddock of this city to be taken care of. Among these papers was an itemized statement of his indebtedness, giving the names of all his creditors in this city, appointing Mr. Craddock as his executor and directing him to pay all his debts. With this was his last will. In this will several parties are mentioned. He left his aged mother one thousand dollars; a friend in Colorado his gold watch. Rev. McElroy of this city he gives twenty-five dollars in cash and the balance of his estate he gives to his sister and A. D. Craddock and W. H. Craddock equally.

Kells had his life insured for eight thousand dollars and on his person was found a certificate for three hundred dollars in a Bloomington, Ill., note bank.

Croup and Whooping Cough.

W. H. Coerver's Horehound Syrup will promptly cure Croup and Whooping Cough. It will cure the worst Cough or cold. It never disappoints. Try a bottle. Sold by Wilson Drug store.

Sealed Proposals for Saloon Stands, Straws and Music During the Fair, 1898.

All persons desiring to secure a saloon stand at the Fair Grounds during the next Fair, October 11 to 15, 1898, will please forward their sealed bids to E. H. Engelmann, Secretary, on or before Saturday, the 17th day of September, 1898, at one o'clock p. m. Bids will be taken for either one or more of said booths numbering from one to nine, or for the entire bar privilege of said nine booths. Also sealed bids will be received for one saloon stand exclusive of the above nine bar privileges, the same to be located on the south side of race track under the direction of the Committee. Party securing this privilege is to put up his own stand or building.

At the same time sealed proposals will be received for the necessary straw and music during the Fair.

Board of Directors reserve the right to reject any and all bids.

All bids will have to be accompanied with ten per cent of bid in either cash or certified check. It is understood that no regular dinner will be allowed to be served at any saloon stand, but a lunch can be served.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Cape Girardeau Fair and Park Association.

MAYOR'S PROCLAMATION.

Whereas, John F. Reynolds, member of the City Council from the Fourth Ward of the City of Cape Girardeau, tendered his resignation of said office, at a meeting of said city council held on Tuesday evening, September 6th, 1898, and

Whereas, said resignation was accepted by said City Council, now

THEREFORE, I, WILLIAM H. COERVER, Mayor of said City of Cape Girardeau do issue this my proclamation and name

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27TH, 1898,

as the day for holding an election in the Fourth Ward of said city, at Daniel A. Frank's shoemaker's shop on Spanish street, the city polling place, in said ward, for the purpose of electing a councilman to fill said vacancy and to serve for the unexpired term of office of said John F. Reynolds.

Said election to be conducted and held in accordance with law and ordinances of the city.

In testimony whereof, I have hereunto set my hand and caused to be affixed the seal of said city of Cape Girardeau, this 17th day of September, 1898.

WILLIAM H. COERVER, Mayor.

Spain's Delusive Hopes.

Spain's hopes to secure a favorable settlement in the peace commission at Paris are destined to disappointment. They will fail for at least two reasons: Her complete collapse in the war deprives her of all right to expect favors, and the aid which she looks for from Russia, France, Germany and Austria will not be furnished. To a certain extent, of course, the peace commission's environment is calculated to arouse false hopes in Spain. Popular sentiment in Paris is on the side of Spain, and the influence of the official class among the nations of continental Europe will be exerted indirectly for that country, but the pressure which it expects will be absent. The settlement will be between the United States and Spain strictly. No outside interference will be permitted by this country. The relative strength of the combatants as determined by the war, and the position and the immediate prospects of each at the beginning of the armistice are the considerations on which the adjustment will be based.

That the Spanish commissioners will make a hard fight to retain the Philippines was to be expected, and the report to this effect which comes from Madrid will not surprise anybody in this country. But if Spain imagines, as the report also indicates, that the United States will be talked into an abandonment of all territorial rights in the islands except for a coaling station she is woefully blind. The obligations which the United States is under toward the insurgents, whom we induced to resume hostilities, and our own commercial interests in the Pacific prevent us from surrendering any of our claims to possession of the whole group. We already have Iloilo by conquest, and with our navy and the absence of a navy on the part of the Spaniards we could bring the rest of the islands under our control in a few weeks if the war were resumed. These facts will tell in the commission. Spain's representatives will quickly be made to see that we are masters of the situation, and rather than risk the reopening of a suicidal war they will defer to American demands.

It will be well for Spain to remember that this is not the first time that America has taken part in a peace commission in Paris, and that it is no secret to the hostile influences which are asserted in that quarter. The treaty of 1763 by which England acknowledged the independence of the United States, was framed in that city, and the anti-American influences on that occasion were far more powerful and dangerous there than they are now. Both France and Spain, our "allies" in the war just ended, tried in the peace treaty of 1763 to restrict the United States to the region east of the Alleghenies, so as to prevent this country from acquiring a power which might be dangerous to them in the future. The victories of George Rogers Clark, however, over the British in what is now Indiana and Illinois in the latter part of the revolution gave us claims which could not be set aside. England, our recent enemy, fairer than our treacherous friends, acceded to our demand that our Western boundary be fixed at the Mississippi. The United States, which secured justice when among the feeblest of the world's nations, is no likely to fail now when it is one of the strongest.—Globe-Democrat.

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DAN'L S. BROWN, President.

JOHN FOLEY, Secretary.